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School: School Year:

Teachers:

**Course Title:** 

## Course modification and differentiation options for Talented and Gifted students

In accordance with OAR 581-022-1330 and HSD Board Policy IGBB, all required written course statements shall identify the academic instructional programs and strategies used to address the levels of learning and the accelerated rates of learning for TAG students. Classroom instruction is based on assessment data, and modifications should be documented in lesson plans and grade books.

Teachers will, as part of a collaborative team, write TAG Course Plans, outlining pre-assessments and instructional differentiation strategies specific to each course. These should be reviewed and revised, as necessary, within the first three weeks of the start of each school year.

The following information can be used as a list of options from which teachers, parents, and students can collaboratively work together to create a learning experience appropriate to the unique needs of each individual gifted student.

Pre-Assessment Options for	Level and Rate of	Instruction must be based on assessed rate and level of learning
Learning  O Academic Peer Evaluations O Benchmark Assessment Data O Chapter/Unit Tests O Common Formative Assessments O District and/or State Assessment	<ul> <li>Performance Task</li> <li>Performing Arts and Visual Arts</li> <li>Placement recommendations and specific data from previous teacher(s)</li> <li>Placement Test</li> </ul>	Level of Learning is the student's instructional level in the curriculum, the place where the student will be successful, but will encounter new knowledge and/or skills. Student level of learning may be:  Significantly above grade level Above grade level On grade level with an accelerated pace On grade level with no modifications needed Below grade level
<ul> <li>End-of-book Test</li> <li>Essay Questions</li> <li>Final/Semester Exams</li> <li>Journals</li> <li>Lab Work</li> <li>Monitoring of daily work</li> <li>Parent input and information</li> <li>Other:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Research reports</li> <li>Skill Tests</li> <li>Specific teacher observational data</li> <li>Student input and self-assessment and/or interview</li> <li>Student Portfolio</li> <li>Teachers Observations</li> <li>Work Samples</li> </ul>	Rate of Learning is a measure of the pace which a student successfully progresses through the curriculum after being placed at the appropriate level. A student's rate of learning will vary depending on:  The student may:  Work at a slower pace than peers  Point in the learning process Work at the same pace as peers  Degree of student interest Work at a faster pace than peers  Complete work quickly and accurately Grasp new concepts quickly and easily Be highly motivated

## Instructional/Differentiation Strategies

At all levels, the goal is to ensure the gifted learner is stimulated and challenged throughout the school day by means of advanced content, flexible pacing, higher-order thinking skills, intellectual peer mind-alike time, research, projects, and/or materials and experiences appropriate to the student's learning.

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Differentiation Options	Course-Specific Differentiation Options	
Ability Grouping, within a class or within a "walk-to"	Fill out this section:	
model		
<ul> <li>Acceleration, subject-specific or whole grade</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Advanced/Honors Courses</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Alternative Assessments</li> </ul>		
Alternative Environment		
Choice Assignments		
Cluster Grouping		
Compacting		

Depth of Knowledge (Bloom's Taxonomy, Quadrant	
Learning, Costa's Thinking Levels)	
Dimensions of Complexity	
Dimensions of Depth	
Enrichment Activities	
<ul> <li>Expanded Options (post-secondary coursework)</li> </ul>	
Extension Activities	
Flexible Grouping	
Focused Programs of Study	
Honors Options	
Independent Study/Projects	
Interdisciplinary Units	
Interest-Options	
Learning Contracts	
Learning Modalities	
Mentorship	
Mind-Alike Time	
Modes of Expression	
Multiple Intelligences	
Tiered Assignments/Instruction	

Characteristics of a Successful Learner: What additional supports will be in place to help students socially and emotionally to cultivate effective
academic behaviors, such as: Cooperation, Responsibility, Respect, Attentiveness, Work Ethic, Persistence, Thinking Flexibly, Taking Responsible
Risks, Striving for Accuracy, Thinking Interdependently, etc?
Fill out this section:

Other

Virtual Learning Options

## Opportunities for parent input:

Parents can request information about TAG services and options for their student at any time. This document should serve as a guide for collaborative conversations. Typical input opportunities include

- school conferences,
- telephone contact,
- email inquiries,
- parent surveys,
- parent-requested conferences, and
- other written communication.